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Smith et al.	:	
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Sir:

In regard to the final Office Action dated September 7, 2005, It is respectfully requested that the rejections be reconsidered.

The above-identified Office Action was a final rejection of Claims 1-12, 15-17, 29-30 and 33-37 of the referenced application. However, the